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**DATE:** October 16, 2012  
**FROM:** School Food Services Section

Dear Authorized Representative, School Nutrition Programs:

Please take a moment to complete the Missouri Farm to School survey found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3KTTJJC>. The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

The purpose of this survey is to identify how much locally grown food is being used in Missouri schools and to learn about your interests and concerns using local food. We would like to hear from everyone, whether you use locally grown food or not.

If someone else within your Local Education Agency has more information about your food service program, please forward this survey to the appropriate person.

This survey is one part of the Missouri Farm to Institution Project, directed by the University of Missouri Extension and the Missouri Council for Activity and Nutrition (MoCAN). The project is working to build support for Farm to School programs and provide schools and other Missouri institutions with the tools to increase their use of Missouri grown and raised foods.

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, School Food Services Section, is a partner on this project.

If you have any questions, please contact Lorin Fahrmeier, Missouri Farm to Institution Project Coordinator, at [fahrmeierl@missouri.edu](mailto:fahrmeierl@missouri.edu), 816-655-6015. The deadline for completing this survey is November 2, 2012.

We appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
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